

State of Delaware Office of the Governor

Ruth Ann Minner Governor

October 27, 2008

Mr. David Baker Sussex County Administrator Sussex County Administrative Office Building P.O. Box 589 Georgetown, DE 19947

RE: Certification of Comprehensive Plan

Dear Mr. Baker:

After reviewing the recommendations of the Office of State Planning and the Governors Advisory Council on Planning Coordination, I have found that the adopted plan does meet the minimum criteria for certification as listed in Delaware Code and I hereby certify the Sussex County comprehensive plan provided the following recommendations are addressed:

- 1. Sussex County shall immediately begin working to adopt the 23 ordinances listed in the plan.
- 2. The County shall consider the newly adopted Pollution Control Strategies for the Inland Bays Watershed as you move forward with the implementation of your plan.
- 3. The County shall comply with Title 9, §6958 (c) of the Delaware Code which states that the County provide a written report to the Governors Advisory Council on Planning Coordination every 12 months on the status of the comprehensive plan and its implementation.

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4. Within 18 months of the date of adoption, the County shall amend its official zoning map(s) to rezone all lands in accordance with the uses and intensities of the uses provided in the future land use element for the County. In the event that the comprehensive plan includes provisions governing the rate of growth of particular planning districts or subareas of the County, the County's zoning district regulations shall be amended to reflect the timing elements of the comprehensive plan.

Congratulations on your certification.

Sincerely, Ruth ann Minner

Ruth Ann Minner

Governor